



# Bay City Independent School District

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## Bay City ISD Published Procedure for Canceling Remote Learning for Individual Students

Given certain parent concerns about the health and safety of their family during the COVID-19 crisis, Bay City ISD offers remote instruction consistent with the requirements of the Texas Education Agency (TEA). BCISD will ensure those families have access to **remote instruction unless BCISD determines that the student's attendance and/or academic performance in one or more classes puts them at significant risk of severe learning loss**, as outlined in the criteria below. In these cases, BCISD will provide notice to the student's parent(s), provide opportunity for appeal for medical or other reasons, and hold a meeting (which can be virtual) if required by the appeal. After these steps are concluded, a campus may ultimately discontinue remote learning as an option for a student not meeting learning or attendance expectations, while continuing it for other students who are successful in Remote Learning and have a medical condition/concern.

BCISD will identify students to be discontinued for remote instruction if one or both of the following are true in any class:

- Student has a class average of below a 70% (or the equivalent)
- Student has 3 or more unexcused absences in a grading period

BCISD will begin notifying parents after the Thanksgiving break and students who meet the criteria above will be expected to return to on campus instruction on January 6, 2021. Parents may agree to change their child's learning environment to on-campus, or may appeal in one of two ways:

- Submitting a medical exemption. BCISD will provide an opportunity for parents to email this exemption request to the district along with medical authorization. Medical authorizations should be submitted to the Superintendent's secretary: [lestrada@baycityisd.org](mailto:lestrada@baycityisd.org)
- Requesting a transition meeting. If the parent requests a transition meeting, BCISD will schedule the meeting with no less than 3 days' notice, and will allow the student to continue to learn remotely until the meeting has been held.

**\*\*If the parent does not appeal, or if at the conclusion of the transition meeting BCISD does not conclude with the parent that the student can be successful learning from home, BCISD will require the student to transition to on-campus learning.**

As a reminder, parents can choose for their students to transition to on-campus instruction at any time (subject to a local restriction, if implemented, to align with grading periods, as described elsewhere in this document).

TEC, §25.092, requires students to attend at least 90% of the course in order credit. This applies to individual course subjects at the secondary level, and to all grade levels at the primary level.

1. Students who cannot meet this requirement while enrolled in school will/may be required to repeat the grade and/or subject the following year.
2. Truancy laws still apply to students enrolled in school but who are not attending (either remotely or in person).
3. Students who ultimately fail to earn a passing grade for a course (or an entire grade level) will/may be required to repeat the course (or grade level).

Sincerely,

Dr. Marshall Scott  
Superintendent of Schools